

HIGH TECHNOLOGY THEFT APPREHENSION & PROSECUTION PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT – HIGH TECH TASK FORCES

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Following the instructions, please provide the information as indicated. **SUBMIT ONE (1) ORIGINAL AND ONE (1) COPY TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS.**

1. Project Title	<u>HTTAP Program</u>	2. Grant Award #	<u>HT 08080210</u>
3. Recipient	<u>County of Marin</u>	4. Grant Period	<u>07/01/2009 to 06/30/2010</u>
5. Address	<u>3501 Civic Center Dr San Rafael, CA 94903</u>	6. Report Period	<u>01/01/0 - 03/31/10</u>
7. Report prepared by	<u>Carl Chapman</u>	8. Title	<u>Operations Supervisor (Relationship to Project)</u>
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PROGRESS REPORT

- ☐ 5th Progress Report: Narrative/Statistical report covering July/August/September – **DUE October 31**
☐ 6th Progress Report: Narrative/Statistical report covering October/November/December – **DUE January 30**
☒ 7th Progress Report: Narrative/Statistical report covering January/February/March – **DUE April 30**
☐ Final Progress Report: Narrative/Statistical report covering April/May/June – **DUE July 31**

BUDGET

1. Total grant award:	2-years (including match)	\$	<u>4,407,645</u>
2. Total funds expended to date:		\$	<u>3,160,666</u>
3. Items encumbered but not paid for:		\$	<u></u>
4. Total grant balance:		\$	<u>1,246,979</u>
5. Month of most recently submitted Report of Expenditures			<u>4/2010 (For FY 09-10 Q3)</u>



Are grant funds being expended in accordance with the Grant Award Agreement? ☒ YES ☐ NO
If no, explain in the narrative section of this report.

I CERTIFY THAT THIS REPORT IS ACCURATE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

<u></u>	District Attorney	<u>4/27/10</u>
Signature	Title	Date

Cal EMA Program Specialist's Comments (For Cal EMA use only): ☐ Approved ☐ Disapproved

Signature of Program Specialist

Date

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PERSONNEL

Positions Authorized in Grant Award Agreement:

Name of Staff		Position	Duties	Full-Time Equivalency (% of FTE)
1.	Carl Chapman	Operations Supervisor	Unit Supervision	100
2.	Sanjay Ramrakha	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	100
3.	Ed Hemphill	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	100
4.	Nick Olson	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	100
5.	Justin Bundy	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	100
6.	Pat Fahy	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	100
7.	Jemy Dinov	Investigator	High Tech/ID Theft Inv.	50
8.	Marte Strang	Investigator	Forensic Examiner	100
9.	Brett Liddecoet	Investigator	Forensic Examiner	100
10.	Klemen Ulaga	Investigator	Forensic Examiner	100
11.	Bill Bennett	Investigator	Forensic Examiner	100
12.	Roy Olson	Investigator	Forensic Examiner	50
13.	Dorothy Hultquist	Investigative Assistant	Clerical; Evidence; Support	100
14.	John Aliotti	I.T. Director	Computer Network Support	75
TOTAL				12.75

1. Have there been any delays in hiring project personnel? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, explain below.
2. Are there any personnel issues which may affect the project objectives? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, explain below.
3. Have any of the job duties, as detailed in the Grant Award, changed? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, explain below.

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EQUIPMENT

(List equipment purchases for the entire grant period.)

Does your Grant Award allow equipment purchases? ☒ YES ☐ NO If yes, detail below:

<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Date Ordered/Received</u>
1. <u>NONE</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
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If your equipment purchases exceed the space above, or you have encountered problems in ordering/receiving grant equipment, please detail issues in the Narrative Section of this report.

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Discuss:

- Any problems the project is experiencing in starting-up the grant award.

None

- Any delays and/or problems in implementation.

None

- Activities supporting each objective which are not currently operational or in place.

None

- The project's source documentation designed to track the project's statistical information.

The NC3TF has been in the process of converting all 2010 data to the DOJ Database.

To date all the 2010 cases have been entered. The NC3TF's original in-house data base/spreadsheet is being used to continue to track changes in the cases prior to January 1,

- Any anticipated areas that may need to be modified, (i.e., budget changes due to staff changes, equipment changes, or modification to program objectives).

None

- Discuss the project's progress to date.

As of April 1, 2010, the NC3TF has been re-opened for a year after the short closure in January, 2009. The program has been running well during this quarter. Although we were only closed for 3 months it has taken most of the year to rebuild working relationships with the local agencies.

One challenge has been to communicate that our new focus is on High Tech and ID Theft investigations as opposed to solely being a resource for forensic computer examinations. It has taken some time to convince the agencies in our jurisdiction that we are willing and available to either take the lead on these investigations or to provide technical support and/or personnel assistance to them. We continue to reach out to the law enforcement agencies within our 5 counties to make them aware of the NC3TF and to offer our assistance.

Since April 2009, we have increased our staffing by 150%. But due to cutbacks in many government agencies, we are still not able to get support from agencies such as the California Department of Motor Vehicles or the United States Postal Service. Both are agencies that would be a great asset to the Identity Theft aspect of the NC3TF.

But at least we are now at a staffing level that allows us to effectively provide a full range of investigative and forensic support to the agencies in our jurisdiction.

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We have also been reaching out to private industry. We have made direct contact with the representatives of the high tech companies within our jurisdiction to offer our assistance with hi tech crimes. Through direct contact as well as through Financial Crime Investigations groups such as IAFCIA, we have made contacts with banks and financial institutions to introduce the NC3TF as a resource.

This effort is beginning to pay off. During this quarter, we have received far more requests for investigative assistance from the local agencies for identity theft, theft of high tech equipment, and internet fraud than we have in any previous quarter. We have also seen the beginning of direct reporting to the NC3TF from financial institutions for ID theft and fraud cases.

During this quarter, there have been two personnel changes. The first is due to a reduction in force at the Vallejo Police Department. Sergeant Marte Strang, who had been the Forensic Unit Supervisor, is now an Officer. Officer Strang is remaining with the Task Force and will continue to work as a Forensic Examiner.

The second is the welcome addition of a full-time High Tech/ID Theft Investigator from the Rohnert Park Department of Public Safety.

- Submit pertinent news articles or any information pertaining to the project's activities.

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Please complete the statistical report table for Objectives #1, #2, and #3. Use additional pages to provide any additional narrative to report your accomplishments as projected in your application.

Objective #1: To investigate, apprehend, and prosecute criminal organizations, networks, and groups of individual engaged in the following activities: (The project should list the applicable high technology crimes as defined by California Penal Code § 13848 in which the task force focus is engaged.)

Objective #2: To apprehend and prosecute individuals and groups engaged in the unlawful access, destruction, or unauthorized entry into and use of private, corporate, or government computers and networks, including wireless and wireline communication networks and law enforcement dispatch systems, and the theft, interception, manipulation, destruction, and unauthorized disclosure of data stored within those computers.

Objective #3: To apprehend and prosecute individuals as groups engaged in the theft of trade secrets.

Reporting Definitions:

On the next page is a table for reporting statistical information. Reporting definitions are as follows:

- Number of High Tech Crime Cases Investigated: Defined as the number of defendants charged with a high technology crime case.
- Number of Arrests: Defined as number of suspects arrested.
- Number of High Tech Crime Cases Filed: Defined as the number of defendants investigated for committing high technology crimes.
- Number of Convictions: Defined as a defendant(s) in one case convicted of one or more charges. If more than one defendant on one case, each defendant that is convicted will be reported.
- Number of Victims involved in Cases Filed: Counting each victim once whether victimized once or multiple times by the suspect in the individual case.
- Total Monetary Loss of Victims: The total aggregate monetary loss suffered by the victims, (from the cases filed) including individuals, associations, institutions, corporations, and other relevant public entities, according to the number of cases filed, investigations, prosecutions, and convictions obtained as a result of the high technology crime cases filed and those under active investigation.

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The NC3TF has accepted a total of 72 new cases (High Tech and ID Theft) for investigation during this Quarter.

The following is a brief summary of a sampling of those cases:

HT09-015: Arrests now being made in this case.

This is an update of a case previously reported.

From approximately December 2008 through March 2010, there were over 45 AT&T Wireless Store burglaries in California, Nevada, Oregon and Washington, with over 30 of those burglaries occurring in NC3TF jurisdiction.

Over 1.5 million dollars in phones have been stolen and tens of thousands of dollars in property damage has been caused during these burglaries. The burglars broke into adjoining businesses and cut through a common wall into the AT&T storage rooms. Most of the phones stolen were high-end smart phones and iPhones. In some burglaries, hundreds of iPhones were stolen in one burglary.

In April 2009, a joint investigation began among the following agencies: NC3TF, Vallejo Police, San Leandro Police, San Jose Police, Tracy Police and United States Postal Inspectors.

After an extensive review of cell phone and cell tower data which was obtained by search warrants and subpoenas, five common phone numbers were identified. Those callers made common calls through cellular towers in and near the stores at the time of burglaries. Through these calls 5 suspects were identified.

San Jose, San Leandro, and Tracy Police Officers had contacted some of the suspects near store burglaries in their cities. The suspects were further connected to the identified phones through those contacts.

By tracking stolen phones that were later activated, three people were identified as the primary sellers of the stolen phones. Through PEN and toll records, one person was identified as the common link between the suspects and the sellers. All the suspected burglars and fencers live in the San Francisco Bay area.

The NC3TF made numerous undercover purchases of cell phones from one Craigslist seller and two eBay sellers. Through surveillance of the suspects after the sales, the suspects and their residences were identified. The phones were being sold nationwide through eBay. Some of the iPhones were found to have been shipped to China for sale.

Local prosecution was hampered by the fact that the burglars wore masks and gloves during the burglaries and no one could be identified in the surveillance videos. No fingerprints were ever

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found, and of those suspects stopped in the areas of the burglaries no stolen property was recovered.

Since the stolen phones were ultimately being sold on eBay and shipped through the mail, the United States Attorney's Office agreed to take the case for prosecution.

As the burglaries continued, AT&T reinforced the storage rooms of their California stores. The suspects could no longer make entry into the storage rooms however they caused tens of thousands of dollars in damage during their attempts.

The burglaries then occurred in the Las Vegas, Portland, and Seattle areas where the stores had not been fortified. As with the California burglaries the same suspect phones were being used at the time and in the vicinity of the burglaries.

The stolen phones, usually within a day, were back in California and for sale by the same sellers previously identified.

Through cell tower data obtained from the PEN register, NC3TF investigators were able to assist the out-of-state detectives in trying to locate the suspects in their cities. Although none have yet been arrested, additional evidence was gathered. The evidence included surveillance video of the suspects purchasing hooded sweatshirts worn during the burglaries, as well as tools used for the burglaries and in one case a fingerprint of one of the known suspects was located.

Later, business records were identified showing that the suspects had travelled from the Bay Area to those out-of-state locations and back in the time frame of the burglaries.

During this quarter, Federal search warrants were obtained and served for the residences of two of the Craigslist and eBay sellers. During the searches of the two residences, hundreds of stolen phones from both California and out-of-state burglaries were recovered. Also seized was over \$100,000.00 in cash which was identified as proceeds from the sale of the stolen phones. The money was seized pursuant to Federal asset forfeiture law.

During interviews of these suspects, they identified their source for the phones, confirming who we had previously identified. These suspects paid as much as \$40,000 to \$50,000 per transaction for the stolen phones. Both of these suspects are pending indictment by the US Attorney's Office.

A third search warrant was served on the suspect who was identified as being the "broker" of the stolen phones and the direct link between the burglars and the final sellers. In this search warrant, additional stolen phones were recovered as well as the cell phone (false subscriber information) that was identified as the connection between all the suspects. This suspect was arrested and booked on a Federal arrest warrant.

Federal Grand Jury indictments are pending for the burglars.

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HT10-038: Manufacturing Counterfeit checks

The NC3TF is assisting the San Anselmo Police Department with computer forensics in a counterfeit check case. In this case the suspect had been manufacturing checks using stolen bank account information. The suspect would then provide the checks to other suspects who then cash the checks and share in the profit. After identifying and interviewing the suspects who were cashing the checks the suspect responsible for the production of the checks was identified. A search warrant was served on his residence and the suspect was arrested and booked in the Marin County jail. The suspect's computer was seized as evidence and is being examined at the NC3TF office for further evidence of check making.

HT10-042: Gas pump skimmers

In February, 2010, the NC3TF met with law enforcement agencies after multiple agencies from Solano and Contra Costa counties reported a dramatic increase in identity theft cases. It was discovered that all the victims frequented common gas stations. During the investigation, a skimming device was located on a gas pump in the city of Benicia. The NC3TF became the central information hub to gather and disseminate information between the agencies regarding these cases.

On 2/25/2010, Martinez Police Department was notified that an employee at a 7-11 Store/Gas Station located a skimming device on one of their gas pumps. Martinez Police Detectives removed the device and replaced it with a similar looking device.

The devices are inside the gas pumps' housing and are not visible. The pumps' housing are locked, but many use a common key. The suspects needed to have one of those keys to open the housing to plant and retrieve the device.

Martinez Police contacted the NC3TF for personnel support in conducting surveillance on the pump in an attempt to apprehend the suspects when they returned to retrieve the device. 24-hour surveillance was established on the gas pump. In the early morning hours of 2/26/2010, two suspects were arrested when they accessed the mock device. Both suspects were Armenian nationals and have been linked to an Armenian gang from Southern California.

The 2 suspects were booked into the Contra Costa County jail.

A search of the suspect vehicle revealed two additional skimmers and two GPS navigation units. On the GPS units, there were recent searches for 7-11 and Arco Gas Stations in the following cities: Martinez; Stockton; West Sacramento; Sacramento; Davis; Dixon; San Leandro; Walnut Creek; Danville; Hayward; San Mateo; Elk Grove; Lodi; Dublin; Livermore; San Ramon; Carmichael; Citrus Heights; Fairfield; Castro Valley; and Concord.

The NC3TF and Martinez Police Detectives physically checked all the gas pumps at the stations identified in the GPS units and recovered an additional eight devices.

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A hotel key was also found in the vehicle which linked those suspects to additional suspects who had been staying at that hotel. Arrest warrants have been issued for 2 other suspects.

The NC3TF learned from C.A.T.C.H. that they had discovered similar devices in the San Diego area and that U.S. Secret Service was able to download the information stored on the devices. The NC3TF worked with the U.S. Secret Service in downloading the information on the devices. The devices contained credit card and ATM card account information for over 200 victims.

The initial case was filed by the Contra Costa County D.A.'s Office but has since been transferred to Deputy Attorney General Keith Lyon. The NC3TF is continuing to work with DAG Lyon and the Martinez Police Department on this case.

HT10-027 and HT10-044: Software Piracy

The NC3TF conducted 2 software piracy cases this quarter after receiving complaints from Adobe Software Systems Anti Piracy Enforcement Manager, Chris Stickle.

Stickle identified postings on Craigslist advertising Adobe Photoshop Master Collection Software for sale in Sonoma County. The software, which retails at \$2,499.00 per copy, was being sold for \$100.00. The NC3TF made undercover buys of the software and identified the sellers. After the software was confirmed to be pirated search warrants were obtained for the suspect's residence and a second buy arranged.

After making a second purchase the suspect was arrested and booked in to the Sonoma County jail. A search warrant was served at the residence and a computer and additional pirated copies were seized as evidence.

A buy/bust and search warrant for the second subject is pending.

HT10-56: ID Theft

Patrol officers were called to a local motel after housekeepers found a binder containing US Mail and other personal identifying information in a currently unoccupied room. The Patrol officers contacted the NC3TF and an investigator responded to assist.

While at the scene the suspect returned to the motel looking for the binder. This suspect was arrested. Upon further investigation by the NC3TF Investigator 2 other suspects were identified. Both suspects had search and seizure clauses as part of their County Probation/State parole.

10 victims were identified and after searches of the other suspect's residences, additional personal identifying information and check making equipment were located in one residence and additional personal identifying information was found in the other. Both of those suspects were also arrested.

In total 3 suspects have been arrested and booked in to the Solano County jail.

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HT10-073: ID Theft

During a vehicle search patrol officers located stolen US mail from 10 victims. The NC3TF was contacted and an Investigator assigned to follow up with the stolen mail.

So far 10 victims have been identified. 2 suspects have been arrested for parole violations based on the possession of personal identifying information. The ID Theft investigation continues and more charges will be filed.

HT10-015: Internet fraud

This case was referred to the NC3TF by the Clearlake Police Department and the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. In this case victims in Ventura County rented an apartment in New York City. After wiring the money through PayPal for the rent and deposit the victim's arrived at the apartment to find that the apartment is currently occupied and the true owner never advertised it for rent and the victims were not able to contact the person they sent the money to.

A search of the internet based on the name used by the suspect in the e-mail correspondence led the victims to identify a possible suspect living in Clearlake California.

The NC3TF is following up on the case. After contacting PayPal we learned that PayPal has lost over \$5,000.00 to this person in similar fraudulent transactions after PayPal refunded the victim's their money.

A search warrant was served on Google for the suspect's Gmail account. A review of suspect's e-mails has identified additional victims and evidence that the suspect is working with another person out of the country who she is wiring money to.

The investigation is on-going.

HT10-062: ID Theft; Unlawful access/intrusion

This case was referred by the Sonoma County Sheriff's Office. In this case there was an incredible spike in ID theft cases reported in the Town Of Sonoma and the surrounding area. One local restaurant was found to be a common link to all the victims.

The restaurant was also receiving calls from victims who felt that the restaurant was the point of compromise. The restaurant hired a private company to do a security check of their computer system. The inspection revealed that the suspects were able to install a Remote Access tool to the desktop and subsequently installed a "sniffer" and a "key logger" which was able to capture track 2 data from the network and was sending it to a web host based in Russia. Data from 296 credit cards was identified as being sent to this particular I.P. address.

Based the use of the victim's credit cards throughout the world it appears the credit card information is being sold. Many of the cards have been used in Northern California.

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This case is assigned to the United States Secret Service Agent assigned to the NC3TF. The NC3TF is working with the Secret Service to further identify the suspect in Russia as well as following up the use of the stolen card information in Northern California.

The investigation is on-going.

Complete this statistical report for the reporting period of 01/01/2010 through 03/31/2010
The statistics are cumulative for the period of this grant. Add any categories not listed on chart under "Item I, Other." Definitions for each column provided below table.

Types of Crimes Committed During Reporting Period	# of HT crimes cases investigated	# of Arrests	# of HT Cases Filed	# of Convictions	# of victims in cases filed	Total Monetary Loss to Victims
1. Unlawful Access/Intrusion						
A. Private Individual						
B. Corporate	1				296	118,000.00+
C. Government						
2. Money Laundering						
A. Electronic Bank Transfers						
3. Theft						
A. Check						
B. Credit Card Fraud						
C. Auction/Internet Fraud	2				15+	180,000.00
D. Telephone Calling Codes						
E. Telecommunication Service						
F. Wireless Communication Service						
G. Cable Television Services						
H. Cable Boxes						
I. Trade Secrets						
J. Identity	27	5	3	1	21	418,793.00
K. Computer Components	1					10,000.00
L. High Technology Products/Components	7					9,660.00
4. Piracy						
A. Software	3	1	1	1	2	8,000.00
B. Music						
C. Movie						
5. Remarking/Counterfeiting						
A. Computer Hardware						
6. Manufacturing/Counterfeiting						
A. Checks	1	1	1		1	8,000.00
B. Social Security Cards						

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C. Driver's License						
7.	Child Exploitation	12	4	2	5	
8.	Computer Forensic Exams (Not related to above cases)	20	1	1	1	500,000.00
9.	Other (Specify)					

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Objective #4: To investigate and prosecute high technology crime cases requiring coordination between regional task forces and local, state, federal, and international law enforcement agencies.

Provide narrative of coordination efforts as projected in your application and specify if coordination resulted in the recording of information in the above statistical reporting table.

Officer	Date	Agency	Summary
MO	1/8/2010	Marin Co. S.O.	Assist w/ computer S/W language/expertise
BB	1/04/2010	Danville PD	Facebook assist
BB	1/04/2010	CCC DA	Assist w/Cell phone search
BB	1/04/2010	CCC DA	Advice re: Child Porn
BB	1/14/2010	CCC DA	Advice re: Child Porn
MO	1/26/2010	San Pablo PD	Advice re: Cell phones
SR	1/27/2010	Autodesk	Assist in locating software piracy operation
JB	2/3/10	Lafayette PD	Assist w/ cft currency investigation
MO	2/11/10	Tiburon PD	Assist with IP address Tracing/Info
MO	2/18/2010	San Anselmo PD	Assist w/computer S/W language/Expertise
CC	03/18/2010	Sonoma Co DA	Assist with Hotmail account takeover
MO	04/02/2010	Sonoma Co DA	Assist with language for Court order

Objective #5: To conduct training of public and private individuals and groups external to the task force personnel with the intent of identifying potential high technology crime threats, as well as train other law enforcement personnel in the identification and subsequent handling of suspected high technology crimes.

TRAINING: List any high technology crime or forensic computer training attended during this period, training provided by your task force to other law enforcement agencies, or training presented to the public or to community groups. (Report all training from the beginning of the grant period to current report submission.)

2 NC3TF Investigators participated, as subject matter experts, with California's Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) on the filming of an updated training video for the California POST training Network regarding High Technology crimes. The filming took place in Carlsbad, CA the week of March 2, 2010.

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	TOPIC	DATE	LOCATION	# trained	Agency Trained
1.	ID Theft	1/18/10	San Diego	6	NC3TF
2.	DOJ Computer Crimes Inv.	2/22/10	NC3TF	2	NC3TF
3.	Encase	2/22/10	Pasadena	3	NC3TF
4.	POST Computer crimes video	3/02/10	Carlsbad		Various L/E
5.	ID Theft presentation	3/02/10	Santa Rosa	20	Community
6.	ID Theft presentation	3/17/10	Walnut Creek	20	Community
7.	Cell phone Forensics	3/29/10	Sac.	1	NC3TF
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.	Other:				
TOTAL					

Objective #6: To establish a local steering committee comprised of representatives from participating agencies, local high technology industry, and other interested parties. The steering committee shall, at a minimum, meet quarterly to review task force activities, and provide advice, recommendations, strategic input and direction for task force consideration.

Number of steering committee meetings held during this reporting period. 1

The last Task Force steering committee met on **April 1, 2010** at the NC3TF.

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The Task Force steering committee is scheduled to meet TBA: July, 2010 at NC3TF.

- A. AGENCIES:** List the agencies that are currently participating in your High Technology Task Force. If the agency is a new addition since the last report, annotate with an asterisk (*).

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Marin County D.A.'s Office	Ed Berberian	3501 Civic Center Dr San Rafael, CA 94903	(415) 499-6450
Vallejo Police Dept.	R. Nichelini	111 Amador St Vallejo, CA 94590	(707) 648-4321
Contra Costa Co. D.A.	Robert Kochly	900 Ward Street Martinez, CA 94553	(925) 957-2200
Napa County D.A.'s Office	Gary Lieberstein	831 Parkway Mall Napa, CA 94559	(707) 253-4211
Walnut Creek Police Department	Joel Bryden	1666 N Main St Walnut Creek, CA 94596	(925) 943-5844
Sonoma County D.A.'s Office	S. Passalaqua	600 Administration Dr Santa Rosa, CA 95403	(707) 565-2311
Rohnert Park DPS	Brian Masterson	500 City Center Dr Rohnert Park, CA 94928	(707) 584-2650
California Office of the Attorney General	Keith Lyon	P.O. Box 944255 Sacramento, CA 94244	(916) 322-3360
United States Secret Service	Jean Mitchell	345 Spear St San Francisco, CA 94105	(415) 584-2650

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OPTIONAL OBJECTIVE: Please discuss the number of requests and the crime type investigations that HTTAP Projects turned away due to insufficient resources and/or limitations of the High Technology Crime funding requirements.

HIGH TECHNOLOGY CRIME TRENDS: Provide a narrative of any emerging high technology crime trends during this reporting period. (ie: new criminal enterprises or networks; case law; new investigative/enforcement resources or partnerships; or unmet needs).

The NC3TF has been seeing an increase the reports of Internet fraud, such as thefts by misrepresentation (car sales, apartment rentals, etc...).

The NC3TF is also working more with the Software companies such as Adobe and Autodesk to combat the sale of counterfeit software on the internet.

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Objective #1: To investigate, apprehend, and prosecute criminal organizations, networks, and groups of individuals engaged in identity theft violations to include, but not limited to, Penal Code §470a, 470b, 472, 475, 476, 484e, 484f, 484g, 484i, 529 subdivision 3, 529a, 529.5, 530, 530.5, 532, 532a, and 532.2. Investigations may require coordination between regional identity theft units and local, state, federal, and international law enforcement agencies.

Please complete the ID Theft statistics for Objective #1 on Page 6 under "Theft: Identity." Use additional pages to provide any additional narrative to report your accomplishments as was projected in your application.

Reporting Definitions:

On the next page is a table for reporting statistical information. Reporting definitions are as follows:

- Number of Identity Theft Crime Cases Investigated: Defined as the number of defendants charged with a high technology crime case.
- Number of Arrests: Defined as number of suspects arrested.
- Number of High Tech Crime Cases Filed: Defined as the number of defendants investigated for committing high technology crimes.
- Number of Convictions: Defined as a defendant(s) in one case convicted of one or more charges. If more than one defendant on one case, each defendant that is convicted will be reported.
- Number of Victims involved in Cases Filed: Counting each victim once whether victimized once or multiple times by the suspect in the individual case.
- Total Monetary Loss of Victims: The total aggregate monetary loss suffered by the victims, (from the cases filed) including individuals, associations, institutions, corporations, and other relevant public entities, according to the number of cases filed, investigations, prosecutions, and convictions obtained as a result of the high technology crime cases filed and those under active investigation.

ID Theft Investigations During This Period:	#of Arrests:	# of cases filed:	# of convictions:	# of victims:	Total loss to victims:
<u>27</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>418,793.00</u>

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Objective #2: To train prosecutors, law enforcement officers, and investigators within the regional multi-county areas covered by each identity theft unit via POST developed and certified curricula. Training may be directed at other California law enforcement officers, investigators, or local prosecutors for the identification and subsequent handling of suspected identity theft crimes.

TRAINING: List any high technology crime or forensic computer training attended during this period, training provided by your task force to other law enforcement agencies, or training presented to the public or to community groups. (Report all training from the beginning of the grant period to current report submission.)

	DEVELOPED/CERTIFIED CURRICULA	DATE	LOCATION	# trained	Agency Trained
1.	ID Theft	1/18/10	San Diego	6	NC3TF
2.	ID Theft presentation	3/02/10	Santa Rosa	20	Community
3.	ID Theft presentation	3/17/10	Walnut Creek	20	Community
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.	Other:				
	TOTAL				

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Objective #3: To conduct training of public and private individuals, groups, and businesses external to the identity theft unit personnel by providing public awareness and education toward the purpose of identifying potential identity theft threats and ways to avoid becoming a victim through external training, presentations, or media. (Report all training from the beginning of the grant period to current report submission.)

	POST DEVELOPED/CERTIFIED CURRICULA	DATE	LOCATION	# trained	Agency Trained
1.	POST Computer crimes video	3/02/10	Carlsbad		Various L/E
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.	Other:				
	TOTAL				

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Objective #4: To receive advice, recommendations, and strategic input from the local steering committee established by the task force/identity theft unit. The steering committee shall, at a minimum, meet quarterly to review identity theft unit activities, and provide advice and direction for identity theft unit consideration.

Number of steering committee meetings held during this reporting period. 1

The last Task Force steering committee met on **April 1, 2010** at the NC3TF.

The Task Force steering committee is scheduled to meet TBA: July, 2010 at NC3TF.

AGENCIES: List the agencies that are currently participating in your High Technology Task Force. If the agency is a new addition since the last report, annotate with an asterisk (*).

LOCAL	COUNTY	STATE	FEDERAL
Vallejo Police Dept.	Marin County D.A.'s Office	California Office of the Attorney General	United States Secret Service
Walnut Creek Police Department	Contra Costa Co. D.A.		
Rohnert Park Department of Public Safety	Napa County D.A.'s Office		
	Sonoma County D.A.'s Office		

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Objective #5 (Optional): To act as a regional clearinghouse for law enforcement and for victims.

(Provide narrative of activities accomplished during reporting period)

N/A

IDENTITY THEFT CRIME TRENDS: Provide a narrative of any emerging high technology crime trends during this reporting period. (ie: new criminal enterprises or networks; case law; new investigative/enforcement resources or partnerships; or unmet needs).

None